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The Clovis Elevator has been
completed and is now buying all
the grain they are able to get.
All the last week the streets
were filled with wagon loads of
wheat, maize, kaffir and feterita.
Most of these big crops were
raised north of town.

Read the new Easter adver-
tisements in this week's issue of
the Clovis News. Clovis can
now boast of some of the best
stores in the state. Several have
recently been remodeled and are
right up to date in appearance
and brim full of new goods.

Business is picking up by leaps
and bounds in Clovis. This is
best evidenced by the scarcity of
houses to rent. It is next to im-
possible to find a modern four or
five room house at present and
many are contemplating build-
ing as soon as the weather will
permit.

Wednesday was the last day
for spring duck shooting accord-
ing to the state law and here-
after the sportsmen will lay up
their guns until this fall. A
federal judge in Kansas City,
the other day, declared the
Federal Migratory Bird law, un-
constitutional.

A peculiar Easter custom is
still in vogue in the north of
England. On Easter day the
men parade the streets with the
privilege of "lifting" every
woman they meet three times
from the ground and demanding
in payment either a kiss or a
sixpence. On Easter Monday
the roles are turned, the women
being entitled to the chance of
recovering their kisses or their
sixpence, as the case may be.
Now it went do for any of the
Clovis boys to try this "stunt."
No sir, not as long as Sadler is
on the job.

Sears Roebuck, of Chicago, re-
cently declared a 50 million
dollar dividend among the com-
mon stock holders, which is said
to have been the fattest melon
ever cut in Chicago. As this
company does no business at
home, it all comes out of the
eastern states and every farmer
that buys from them helps to
contribute his mite to the million-
aires of the city. Money spent with
your local merchant comes back
to you in some form or another,
but money sent away is gone for-
ever.

Hearts continue to come that
these people are en route to
Curry County from the eastern
and southern states. One land
owner in talking to a News
representative recently said that
the immigration to this section
of the country had hardly begun.
"Everybody is talking New
Mexico," he said, "and I believe
that new people will come here
during the coming year than at
any time in our history." Those
who will have several years ago,
during one year's drought, look-
ing for something better have
not been able to find it and most
of those who are able are coming
back as soon as they can. They
found conditions worse in the
older states than they ever were
in New Mexico and will be satis-
fied to remain, once they get
back again.

New Mexico the Leader.

Where would you look, in the
United States, for the commu-
nities of home owners; the com-
munities where the great ma-
jority of families live on unin-
cumbered land and pay rent to
nobody? Wouldn't you look to
the old states where wealth has
been accumulating for centur-
ies, where there has been time
to be thrifty, where interest
rates are lower, and the fight
with nature not so intense?
Perhaps you would look there,
but if you should, you would
be disappointed.

New Mexico is one state, of
all the 48, where the largest
proportion of homes are owned
free, and where the fewest
homes are encumbered. Also,
with one exception, (North
Dakota,) New Mexico has the
smallest proportion of rented
homes among all the 48 states.

In these figures, "homes" re-
fer to all homes, rural and ur-
ban but New Mexico leads all
states of the union also in the
percentage of farms owned
free, considered separately
from urban homes.

It is a splendid record, of
which too much cannot be
said. The authority is
the latest issued by the
census bureau. The facts
should be displayed in attrac-
tive form and circulated every-
where as one of the best adver-
tisements New Mexico could
possibly get. This is the re-
markable showing:

Percentage of all homes,
owned free, 66.3 per cent.

Percentage of homes encum-
bered, 4 per cent.

Percentage of rented homes
29.7 per cent.

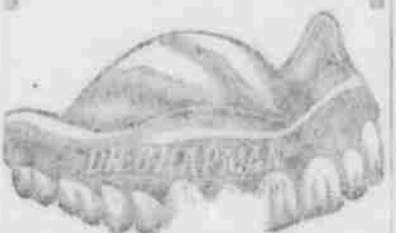
Percentage of farms owned
free, 88.9 per cent.

The figures offer splendid en-
couragement for the man who
is looking for a place where he
can have a home of his own,
free of rent and encumbrance.
What nine out of ten farmers
have done, acquiring a free-
hold in New Mexico, the tenth
man can do.

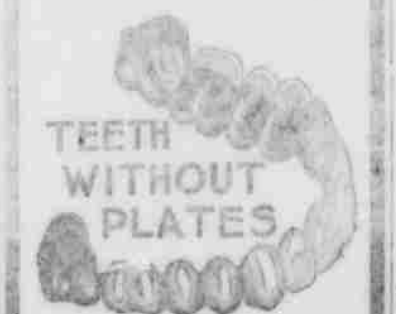
"Some" Egg.

John Wilson brought to town
and exhibited a hen egg Monday
which appears to have the rec-
ord in these parts. The egg
weighed 3 1/2 ounces and mea-
sured 8 1/8 in. in circumference.
Thursday was the day sched-
uled for big things to happen in
Clovis and as this was the
day Mr. Wilson found the "big"
egg, it must have been that
"biddy" intended to produce a
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With deep canyons below,
Dotted with fertile valleys
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Days that are filled with heart
dreams
Nights when the moon
hangs low
Breathing its benediction,
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fog;
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—Elizabeth Garrett

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